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1. The factories for artillery ammunition under construction at Felnemet and Sirok are nearing completion. Their products will be gun barrels, explosive units for mines and 37 mm. grenades.
2. In the middle of May 1952, the production of high grade steel at the Dósgyőr foundry had only reached the January-February plan figure.
3. A ball and roller bearings factory is to be constructed in Debrecen within the next two years. The administrative cadre has been set up provisionally in Budapest. The technicians selected for this project are to be sent to Russia on a six months' construction course. Meanwhile the Russians insist on the use of Swedish ball bearings in the cars and diesel trains (Motorzüge) supplied to them by Hungary.
4. A DDT factory is to be built on Illatos ut, Budapest, as a subsidiary to the Hungaria Chemical Works. Another factory planned for Budapest is a dehydrating plant for synthetic materials.
5. The former Kodak factory in Vác (now the Forte Fotokémiai Ipari Vállalat Maraszi Ernő u.) is being extended by the addition of a new wing which is at present under construction.
6. A 5-story high refrigerating plant, is under construction at Debrecen. Building has so far reached the third story. Some of the workmen engaged on this are deportees from the neighboring villages who are brought in daily by trucks. They are paid 900 forints per month plus lodging. They get adequate food for 6 forints per day.

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7. A small factory on Gellert ut, Ujpest, ostensibly making wireless spare parts, is said to be really making small parts for rifles and other light weapons. These are assembled in some other factory - not specified.
8. The designation "Project Olll" is used for projects on which political and/or military prisoners are to work.

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